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1. PERMDEL AGREES WITH DEPARTMENT REASONING IN REFTEL AND SHARES ITS CONCERN IN PARA 4, THAT AMERICANS APPOINTED TO NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON POSTS WOULD BE AWAY FROM THE REAL SOURCE OF POWER. INDEED AMERICAN INCUMBENTS IN THESE POSTS WOULD HAVE MINIMAL INFLUENCE ON UNESCO'S POLICIES AND CERTAINLY WOULD COUNT AGAINST THE U.S. QUOTA. HOWEVER, PERMDEL BELIEVES NEW YORK POST WILL NOT BE FILLED BY AN AMERICAN, BUT AN AMERICAN PROBABLY WILL FILL WASHINGTON POST. DEPARTMENT HESITATION TO PUSH CANDIDATES COULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUTCOME THIS PREDICTION.

2. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, PERMDEL SENT DG M'BOW AN AIDE MEMOIRE DATED 28 JULY 1977, WHICH OUTLINES THE STATUS OF AMERICAN PERSONNEL IN THE VARIOUS SECTORS OF UNESCO, EXPRESSING DISMAY AT THE UNSUCCESSFUL CANDIDACIES OF CERTAIN AMERICANS AND RECOMMENDING OTHERS CONFIDENTIAL

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FOR SELECTED POSTS IN THE ORGANIZATION. A COPY OF THIS AIDE MEMOIRE WAS AIR POUCHED TO IO/UNESCO JULY 15.

IMPLICIT IN THIS DOCUMENT IS THE KINDS OF POSITIONS THE U.S. WANTS; HOWEVER, PERMDEL BELIEVES A CAREFULLY PREPARED PAPER SHOULD GO FORTH TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL TELLING HIM EXPLICITLY WHAT U.S. LONG RANGE PERSONNEL GOALS ARE FOR UNESCO AND WHERE THE US STANDS ON THIS

SUBJECT. (PARA 2 AND 3, REFTEL, SKETCH IN PART THE THEME OF A PAPER THAT MIGHT BE PREPARED FOR THE DIRECTOR GENERAL.)

3. FOR THE FOBES POSITION, SHOULD IT BE AVAILABLE, PERMREP SUGGESTS EITHER MR. CHARLES SADDLER OF UNDP OR AMBASSADOR SAMUEL ADAMS, FORMER DIRECTOR, AID. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO TAKE SOUNDINGS ON THE AVAILABILITY OF THESE PEOPLE. HARTMAN

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